EVANSVILLE HAS A MYSTERY

GHASTLY DISCOVERY IN BUSINESS SECTION OF THE CITY.

Fatal Shooting Near Petersburg-Greenfield's Temperance Wave-Young Women Take the Veil.

special to the Indianapolis Journal. NASHVILLE, Ind., March 19 .- Whitecaps are bent on continuing business at the old stand in Brown county. Early this morning they visited the home of Henry Mathis, one and a half miles south of Nashville, and gave him a severe switching. To your correspondent Mathis related the following story: "I was in bed asleep, and knew nothing of the whitecapping until the door fell in. Four men rushed in and seized me and took me out in the yard. They asked me if I was afraid. I replied that I was not a bit afraid of them. Then they downed me. They lifted me up and tied me with a one-fourth-inch rope to a fence post about one hundred feet from the house, and then they whipped me with a buggy whip. After whipping me they told me not to halloo, but as soon as they left me I began to scream. My wife came out and cut me loose with a butcher knife. ld me to go to work and earn a for my family, and if I didn't they ld pay me another visit. The white-

lathis has fifteen or twenty stripes across s thighs, and in one or two places the hide was cut a little. He did not recognize any of the whitecappers. He says he has a un, but the whitecappers did not give him me to use it. Mathia's family consists of mself, his wife and two little children. ils wife and her little ones are almost desitute of clothing, and are objects of great

cappers gave my little girl \$1.35, and told to give the money to her mother

ACTIVITY AT WINONA.

Large Number of Men Soon to Be Em ployed on the Grounds.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WARSAW, Ind., March 19 .- There is considerable activity at the Winona Assembly grounds just now, and preparations were made here to-day at a meeting of the executive committee of the assembly association to put an army of men at work on must be completed before the opening of | young son. the assembly. The association will lose the sale of \$12,500 worth of lots taken by Warause in the contract attached to the deed. | England. lot a shovelful of dirt has as yet been rown in the work of constructing the line, and not more than one-fourth of the marial is on the ground. Much anxiety exsts among the directors of the assembly over the fact that the work is not well der way by this time.

The Winona directors went over the nd this afternoon for the purpose of cting a site for the power house. Electric light for use all over the grounds and motive power for the new trolley sysost between \$125,000 and \$130,000, and the work of construction will commence at Representatives of the firm of J. A. Schu-

acher & Co., of Indianapolis, who secured the contract to build the \$60,000 Mount Mel building, the principal college of the na Agricultural and Technical School, arrived to-day and will soon put a large rce of laborers at work. The building i three-story brick and must be completed by Sept. 1. The J. Wilbur Chapman me-morial, a building designed as a summer nome, rent free, for ministers receiving anleted within a few weeks.

WILL BECOME SISTERS.

Young Women Take the Novitlate Veil at St. Mary's of the Woods. pecial to the Indianapolis Journal.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 19 .- Twenty-one young women to-day took the novitiate vell of the Sisters of Providence at St. Mary's of the Woods, the mother home of the order in the United States, Bishop Chatard officiating at the ceremony in the narble chapel. The final reception into the order will be at the end of three years spent at St. Mary's. Five of the young women from Ireland last October and have ince been making preparation for to-day's remony. They are young women of eduement and will be especially ned into the order, which has charge of parochial schools throughout the coun try. The names of those from Indianapolis, with their religious names, are as follows: Hattle Cullipy, Sister Eugenia Clare; Sophie Buehler, Sister Mary Joannes; Rose Carroli, Sister Rose Clare.

PLANS OF STATE BOTTLERS.

What the Indiana Association Hopes to Accomplish.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 19.-After a seeting of the Indiana State Bottlers' Asociation to-day it was announced that he organization had forty members. An fort will be made to increase the memership to 200 before the next meeting is held in Indianapolis May I, when an exutive committee will be elected. The obect of the association is to secure a rern of bottles at a nominal cost, to estabish a clearing house, to adopt a deposit system, to make price agreements wher-ever possible and to establish rules for proection against discharged employes taking ers to competitors. The association i also try to have a national law passed king it a penal offense to hold and mis se a duly registered bottle.

GREAT ACTIVITY EXPECTED.

Twelve Thousand Acres of Oil Land Lensed.

special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., March 19.-Wonderful activity in the Indiana oil field is promised his spring. During the winter months fully welve thousand acres were leased in Jay ounty alone, and the same is true of nearly very other county where oil has been disovered. It is considered that the Hoosier eld is yet in its infancy as far as develment is concerned, and that with the wild-catting," which is certain to be done tly, much new and valuable territory

The Crescent Oil Company is preparing to at its investment of a million dollars to good use in the Montpelier field, and in the vicinity of Warren an extension of the field ot at all unexpected. The wells recently lled in Wzoash township, this county, e considered by many practical men as ing the forerunner of a connecting link tween the great oil fields of Indiana and his. Should this prove true it will mean a cld running from the banks of Lake Erie Ohio to Bird's Eye in Indiana, a distance ully three hundred miles.

not there is plenty of gas is evidenced the recent strikes of "shale." Both east north of here wells with an enorm or a few days have been found. d between Bryant and New Corydon a of "shale" gas was struck so powerful to force the casing forty feet above the p of the Cerrick. The work hes got my from the scene as fast as they could.

for their lives, and several days before work could be begun again.

in the north part of the county within the last few days, and nearly all of them came in for fair producers. The Ohio Oil Comany, with two wells, the Colonel Drake Oil Company, the Shepherd Oil Company and the Fulton Oil Company are all pushing developments actively.

Interest in the Oil Field.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 19.-Great interest is arising in the new oil field at New Haven owing to the success of well No. 2. Superintendent Noble, of the Hope Oil Well Company, said to-day that he was certain it would yield fifty barrels a day, having filled up to a thousand feet in two hours, and he would not be surprised if it went one hundred barrels a day. Louis A. Centlivre, who is interested in wells in the Montpelier field, says the New Haven field will be ten times better than that. Owing to the arrest of Jack Tubbs and Oma Brown at Bluffton for driving through town with nitroglycerin the well could not be shot to-day, but will be to-morrow.

Oil in Dubois County.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 19 .- A local company of capitalists struck oil in Dubois county between Huntington and Birdseye to-day. It is said the well is one of the best in that field, where the Standard Oil Company has been operating for some time.

INDIANA OBITUARY.

Death of One of the Oldest Residents of Tippecanoe County.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 19 .- For nearly seventy years a resident of Shelby township, Mrs. Katherine Timmons, eighty years old, one of the pioneers of this section of the State, died last night at the home of her daughter in Otterbein. In point of continuous residence in the county Mrs. Timmons was perhaps the oldest resident in Tippecanoe county. Death was caused by pneumonia. Mrs. Timmons was one of the best known women in the county and also one of the most beloved. She was born in Harrison county, Indiana, on Oct. 3, 1822. and thirteen years later came to Tippecanoe county. She was married on Aug. 7, 1842, to W. H. Moore, who died in 1866, and later married Austin Timmons, who died in 1877. She leaves several children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Among the children are Frank S. Moore, of the Lafayette Engineering Company; H. B. B. Moore, of Logansport; C. F. Moore, of Racine, Wis., and L. L. Moore, of West La- man and a woman had been found, but the given out as to the amount of liabilities or

Other Deaths in the State.

RICHMOND, Ind., March 19.-Swain Gwin, of Economy, assessor of Perry township and one of the best-known citizens of that section of Wayne county, dled to-day. His age was forty-eight years. Two sons survive. • • Mrs. John L. Norris, who died at Alvord, Tex., yesterday, was a sister of Judge D. W. Comstock, of this city, who is a member of the Appellate Bench. The remains will be brought here for burial. WINDFALL, Ind., March 19 .- Mrs. Ethel Simpson, wife of Jesse Simpson, residing eight miles northeast of this city, died at her home very suddenly Wednesday evening. The funeral occurred Thursday at the Methodist Church in West Liberty, Rev. Jesse H. Ellis, of the Friends' Church, officiating. The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Conway. GOSHEN, Ind., March 19.-Christian

Hawk, aged about seventy years, a farmer living eight miles from Goshen in Jackson township, dropped dead Thursday forenoon about 9 o'clock. He had just hitched up his team to go to work. Death was due to heart trouble. He leaves a wife and

FAIRMOUNT, Ind., March 19.-Word was towns in North Carolina, where she had been for the past month. Miss Greene ric line between Winona and Warsaw is in | was one of the most prominent Quakers in ill operation by May 15, according to a | the world, and her home was in London,

FRIENDS' QUARTERLY MEETING.

Regular Event Will Convene at Fairmount Saturday.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FAIRMOUNT, Ind., March 19.-Next Saturday morning the regular quarterly meet. g of the Society of Friends ower for a complete water system will be meet. g of the Society of Friends turnished from this building in addition to will convene in this city for a two days' session and it is thought the business which will come before the meeting will be the most important of the year. On this account there will be many prominent members of the church in attendance from all parts of the country and some of the mos noted Friends ministers have sent the services and councils. Outside of Richmond, the local church has probably the largest membership in the State, and for this reason the business session are regarded with much interest by all the Friends in

Saturday morning the first matter of business which will come before the meeting will be the report of the committee appointed six months ago to raise the \$20,000 endowment fund for the Fairmount Academy, which is under the direct control of the local district or quarterly meeting. This committee has been hard at work since its appointment, and, while the members have not said as to the amount of money they have pledged for the work, it is understood they are very well satisfied with the result and feel quite confident that, whatever is lacking, before it is brought before the promptly met. It is taken as a foregone conclusion by many of the members that the full amount has all but been subscribed, as a prominent member stated this morning that there would be a strong effort United States Marshal Rankin, of Indianade to put the institution on a solid and self-supporting basis at this session of the church, and that those having the matter in charge intended to secure pledges to the fund to the amount of \$25,000. For the past few years the school has been running with a deficit, which has been met by donations from the individual members.

The Saturday afternoon session will be devoted to the temperance cause and Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, of Portland, Me., the national president of the W. C. T. U. of the United States, and Miss Anna M. Gordon, the vice president of the same organization, will be present and address the neeting. Preparations are now being made for the entertainment of the visitors.

AFTER THE SALOON KEEPERS. Greenfield Engulfed in a Mighty Temperance Wave.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GREENFIELD, Ind., March 19 .- The fight of the Citizens' Reform League against the saloons of this city has been a winning one. There were saloons in but two wards-the First and Second. A petitioner who had applied for license in the First ward was defeated because a majority of the voters of all that was due him, and, as a matter of the ward signed a petition-a blanket remonstrance-asking the Commissioners not | workmanship in one or two places. to grant the license. He has packed his bar fixtures, stock, etc., and shipped them from the city. There are now two saloons in the First ward which will go when their present licenses have expired. In the Second ward four saloons, including the one above mentioned, have been closed up-two because they could not secure licenses, a majority of the voters of this ward also signing a remonstrance against saloonsand the other one because he was in arrears \$305 on city license, and rather than pay up he quit. The anti-saloon element. the Citizens' Reform League, is aggressive, and declares it will close every saloon in the city. It is asserted that an investigation showed that the saloon men had not been compelled to pay up and take out a city license, which is \$250 annually, but had been allowed to pay in installments, until finally, finding that no one bothered them they quit paying the installments. It is said that the six saloons of the city and the one that quit owe the city \$1.812. The Reform League proposes to push prosecutions under the law so that the saloon keepers will be compelled to pay their money and take out increase in population of Bedford demands city licenses if they proposes to continue in

DEMOCRATS AND FRICTION.

Trouble Over Places in Electric Light Plant at Hartford City.

pecial to the Indianapolis Journal. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., March 19 .- Since the Democrats gained control of affairs in Hartford City there has been considerable friction in the matter of placing favorites in positions at the electric light plant. The | ing the local system of tax collection. They first trouble came when Mayor James Lucas voted twice in favor of the Republicans | a contract with the city and county to ferholding the positions of night and day engiheavy shots have been made in wells

neers at the plant instead of for a Demo-crat. James Harrison, a Republican, who has been the night engineer, has been laid off on account of sickness and E. B. Bohr, a Democrat, has been filling his place. J. A. Horn, a Republican, who has been the day engineer since the erection of the plant, resigned. Bohr was a candidate for the place, but because it was known that he failed to vote at the city election H. C. Stoneburner, another Democrat, was elected to the position Tuesday night. Horn and Bohr both left the plant immediately and Stoneburner, who was unfamiliar with the work, was left to manage the plant as best he could. He started to work Wednesday and Thursday resigned his position, to take effect at once. He alleges that some one attempted to burn the boilers out for him by turning the water off in order to gratify spite against him and put him in bad repute. He also found the oil cups clogged with waste and other obstacles were thrown in his way from the moment he took charge. The city is now without an engineer either day or night.

GLASS MACHINE PROPOSAL.

Stockholders of the American Com-

pany to Vote on an Offer. PITTSBURG, Pa., March 19 .- The directors of the American Window Glass Company held a special meeting to-day to consider a proposal from the American Window Glass Machine Company. As the directors of the glass company are practically all interested in the machine company, it was decided to submit the proposal to the stockholders at a called meeting April 14. The proposal, in brief, is that the machine company will give the glass company the exclusive right to manufacture and use the new glass-blowing machine in the United States for a consideration of \$400,000 cash, 50 per cent. of the savings made possible by the machines, based on the scale of wages, for five years, and after that period a 15 per cent. royalty on the selling price of the entire product of the American Window Glass Company.

AN EVANSVILLE MYSTERY. Headless Trunk of a Man Found, but

Not Identified. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Merch 19 .- The headless trunk of a man was found in vault in the business section of Evansville by scavengers at an early hour this morning. Decomposition having gone far, the body offered no means of identification. There was a rumor that the bodies of a mistake was later discovered. The police assets.

FORMER JUDGE'S GUILT.

no knowledge of any missing man who

might fit the description of the body.

Charles S. Henderson, of Elkhart. Will Be Imprisoned.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. GOSHEN, Ind., March 19.-Charles S. Henderson, ex-city judge at Elkhart, today pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court here to embezzling over \$650 of the funds of the heir of David Snyder, a deceased veteran, of whom Henderson was guardian. He will be given an indeterminate sentence of one to five years in prison, will be disfranchised for one year and fined \$1. Henderson is an Elkhart attorney. His bondsmen reimbursed the ward.

Movement to Form Labor Congress. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ELKHART, Ind., March 19.-A movement is on foot to form a labor congress which shall be the supreme authority on matters received here Wednesday of the death of concerning labor in the cities and towns Miss Harriett Greene in one of the smaller of South Bend, Mishawaka, Elkhart, Goshen, Nappanee and Lagrange. The Elkhart Central Labor Union on Wednesday night appointed a special committee to further the project. The committee consists of C. H. Hackman, W. B. Loomis and D. A. Erwin. South Bend has thirty-six unions with a total membership of 3,500, Elkhart twenty-nine with 2,000, Goshen five with about 300, Mishawaka three with about 300. Nappanee one with 200 and Lagrange one with about 100. It is proposed that the congress consist of one delegate from each local, or seventy-five members. It is expected to meet monthly at the different towns in rotation. It is said here the plan is something new in labor union methods. The most distant points, South Pend and Lagrange, are forty-five miles apart.

Cincinnati Men Mean Business. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RICHMOND, Ind., March 19.-It begins to look as if the Cincinnati men who are promoting a traction line from Hamilton, O., not e that they will be here to attend all to Richmond mean business and will push the project to completion. They are Henry Duhme, John A. Caldwell. James A. Magaw, Miller Outcalt and James R. Foraker. They have asked the Wayne County Commissioners for a franchise to come in from the south through Boston. A franchise has been granted them in Preble county. Ohio. The Dayton & Western is rapidly building into Richmond from Eaton, O. This company may revive the famous Cedar Springs Hotel and summer resort, just across the Ohio line. The Richmond Street and Interurban Company has been granted the privilege of extending its line to the Eastern Indiana Hospital for the Insane, two miles west.

Decatur Young Man in Trouble.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. DECATUR, Ind., March 19 .- Leo Meyer, a young man living in this city, eighteen years of age, was arrested here Tuesday by apolis. The charge is for violating the postal law. According to the statement of the authorities Meyer, in February of this year, was requested to write a letter for an old man named Broger, of Decatur, to his stepdaughter at Muncie. When it arrived, at the bottom of the sheet there was a postscript of obscene character. Broger says he had no knowledge of it being there. He advised his daughter to send the letter to Washington, which she did. Meyer was taken to Fort Wayne and pleaded not guilty and was released on a \$300 bond. Meyer is the son of a prominent business

Cellhouse Case to Be Called.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., March 19.-Contractor McCormick, who built the new cellhouse at the Jeffersonville Reformatory, has a bill for \$60,000 in extras now pending. The case will be called in the Superior Court of Marion county March 30. Next week Charles E. Shiveley, of Richmond, president of the Reformatory Board, will go to Indianapolis to attend a conference of the board members. Mr. Shiveley says that McCormack in reality has no claim; that he was paid fact, there are penalties that should be enforced on the contractor for defective

Women Tore Off Plumes.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WABASH, Ind., March 19 .- At the revival meeting conducted by Rev. John Brown at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, this city, Wednesday evening, several women in the congregation exhorted not to wear plumes in their hats retired to the rear of the room, and, tearing away the plumes and trimmings, burned them. Their act was due to the statement of the clergyman that no woman who wears plumes in her headgear could ever gain admission to the kingdom of heaven. There was a large congregation present and the affair caused a commotion

Prosperity at Bedford.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BEDFORD, Ind., March 19.-The City Council decided at its meeting yesterday to expend \$30,000 in schoolhouses, which the for the accommodation of its school chirdren. Work will begin in the early spring on two of the buildings. This, with the construction of the federal building and many other costly buildings now under contract, gives the city a look of prosperity never witnessed in its history before. Two large blocks have just been completed.

Marion Officials Junket.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 19.-Marion city officials were in the city to-day inspectwere the guests of J. B. Workman, who has

property. Mayor Kiley was expected with the party, but could not come. The visitors were Councilmen J. H. Messick, W. E. Williams, W. J. Croke, Assistant Postmaster W. E. Lowe. Local city officials and news-paper representatives banqueted with the party at the Hotel Hines.

Train Crashed Through Bridge.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAPORTE, Ind., March 19.-Twelve cars of a Wabash freight train were piled up in wreckage east of Dillon as the result of the collapse of a bridge. There are a number of small bridges on the Wabash in the Kankakee district, and two mogul locomotives pulling the long freight had almost crossed this bridge, when there was a crash and part of the train plunged into the abyss. The bridge collapsed about an hour before a passenger train was due. It had been weakened by high water. No one was injured.

Awarded \$3,500 Damages.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SHELBYVILLE, Ind., March 19 .- The case of Joseph Seerly vs. the Indianapolis Street-railway Company closed in the Shelby County Circuit Court last night at 11 o'clock, the jury finding a verdict for \$3,500 in favor of the plaintiff, after being out ten hours. The suit was venued from Marion county and was for damages in the sum of \$10,000. The complaint alleged that Mrs. Seerly was injured in Indianapolis some time ago by a street car colliding with

Mysterious Shooting in Pike County.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PETERSBURG, Ind., March 19.-Mrs Mary Catt, divorced wife of William Catt, while standing in the door of her home, three miles west of here, last evening, was fatally shot by some unknown person. The bullet entered the head just under the right eye, penetrating the brain. Great excitement prevails in the community. The authorities are making every possible effort to locate the one who fired the shot.

Greenfield Grocer Assigns.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. GREENFIELD, Ind., March 19.-This morning Frank Limback, who has been in the grocery business here for the past six years, made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors, who are largely Indianapolis wholesale and commission men. Robert Williamson, an attorney of this city, is the assignee. No statement has been

Fell from Car and Was Killed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 19.-James R. Lydick, a plumber, fell from an interurban car at Seeleyville at midnight and was killed. He was standing in the door of the baggage compartment, when a lurch of the car threw him out. He leaves five children in Brazil. He was divorced from his second wife a year ago.

Wayne County Prohibitionists.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., March 19.-The Prohibitionists of Wayne county held a convention here to-day. T. C. Hough, of Fountain City, was chosen county chairman, and Fred David, of Fountain City, secretary. C. E. Newlin, of Indianapolis, state chair-man, made an address and lectured to-

Goes to Naval Academy.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 19 .- Frank G. Hamilton was to-day appointed to the Naval Academy by Congressman Robinson, and left for Annapolis to prepare for the examination. He is eighteen years old and a son of Allen Hamilton, member of the School Board.

Indiana Notes.

NEW CASTLE.-Ed Harris, a brakeman on the Big Four east-bound freight No. 94, fell from his train here and was picked up about an hour later by the west-bound freight. He was unconscious at the time, but when he was revived he refused to give any particulars of the accident. It is thought he will recover. . . The residents of South Main street and the Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Company are at locked horns. The former want asphalt pavement, the latter brick. The railroad company desires to put in wooden poles, but will put in iron if it is allowed to make its part of the roadbed with brick. The residents refuse to yield this point, but say they will have iron poles anyhow.

TELL CITY.-The United States Hame Company has a large building under construction. The company is a combination of the five largest hame factories in the United States. The factory here alone will furnish nearly all the wood used for hames by the combination and will give employment to about two hundred men with the large sawmill which will be built above town. * * Andrew Carnegie will pre-sent this city with a public library if the city has a site for a building and has a sufficient library fund with which to keep up the library. This offer was received by Philip Zoercher, of this city.

WABASH.—The divorce case of Mrs. Jane Skinner against John Skinner furnished amusement for the courthouse habitues. Both plaintiff and defendant are deaf and dumb, and the testimony had to be taken through the sign language. . . . In the Wabash Circuit Court Thursday suit for \$2,000 damages was brought by John W. Shindry, of Miami county, against Dr. John B. Peters for malpractice. Peters, i is claimed, in setting the broken arm of plaintiff two years ago did not do it propery, and the arm has since been stiff.

DECATUR.-The surveyors for the Springfield & Fort Wayne proposed electric road will begin work here next Thursday. The route to Fort Wayne will be surveyed and when that distance of twentyone, miles is completed the route from here to Celina, O., will be gone over. The company will ask the County Commissioners to vacate twenty feet of the Piqua road from here to Fort Wayne. The company will begin work on the road by the middle of

LAFAYETTE.-Forty men were laid off at the Sterling electric works Wednesday night and ten more were let out Thursday as the result of the firm losing a large telephone contract at Kansas City. The company had nearly closed a contract for furnishing several thousand telephone instruments and had already prepared to manufacture them. The loss of the contract came at the last moment and was unexpected.

BEDFORD.-While returning from a reception Tuesday night given Rev. E. R. Edwards, of the First Christian Church, Mrs. Wires, of this city, was set upon by and rising. The "corrall," with its colony two men who were in hiding. Her cries of 200 people under the bluffs at the northbrought assistance and the assailants fled. Mrs. Wires is a prominent church worker and the men probably thought she had money belonging to one of the church so-

ELKHART.-A horse and buggy owned by Rinard Stutesman, an Elkhart business man, were stolen Wednesday night. Tracks showed that two men led the horse and pulled the buggy down the road twenty rods before hitching up. It is evident that they first pulled an old buggy to that point, then went back and got a better one, leav-DELPHI.-The business men of Burrows. ten miles east of this city, are circulating a petition to be incorporated as a town. . The dread Hessian fly is reported to be working in the wheat in this county. and the farmers fear an almost complete failure of the wheat crop if the warm weather continues.

EVANSVILLE.-The towboat Defender. from Pittsburg, blew out her cylinder head in front of the city Thursday morning. She has a heavy tow of barges laden with iron and coal for Southern ports. No one was injured by the accident. The boat will be delayed several days for repairs. FORT WAYNE .- Henry Schwehn, aged twenty-six, employed by the American Express Company, was sentenced to the Reformatory Thursday on a plea of guilty to embezzlement. He had been stealing from the company since December. He has a

SHELBYVILLE.-Clara M. R. Fox, who a few weeks ago brought suit in the Shelby County Circuit Court against Otto Billman for damages in the sum of \$5,000, alleging slander, has dismissed the suit. The parties are prominent people of Shelby county. UNION CITY.-This city will have paved streets, the City Council having so voted. Brick will be used and the improvement will be paid for by the property owners, work to commence at once.

wife and two small children.

No Paternalism in Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 19.—In the House to-day the bill presented by Mr. Blumle, of Cameron county, and which had previously passed second reading, "to subsidize large families and to provide for gold medals for mothers of large families," failed on final passage by a vote of 5 to 5. less than a constitutional majority.

IT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE REACHED MEMPHIS LAST NIGHT.

All Passengers on the Water-Bound Trains in Arkansas Safely Removed Yesterday.

DELTA NOW PERILED

BREAK IN A PRIVATE EMBANKMENT NEAR DUVALL'S, MISS.

Government Levee in Danger-Conditions at Vicksburg, Natches and New Orleans.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 19.-It is believed to-night that the crest of the Mississippi river flood has reached Memphis and that a fall will begin within less than twenty-four hours. However, the conditions that exist above Memphis, with the gap in the levee at Trice's Landing, Ark., make it a most difficult matter to forecast what is likely to occur in the flood situation. The gauge to-night shows 40 feet and stationary, a rise of .2 in twenty-four hours. While the crevasse has not widened to any appreciable degree, the levee is overtopped a short distance farther to the north and the flooded Mississippi is discharging much water at both this point and at the crevasse. A difference of between four and five feet exists in the height of the water on either side of the levee at the crevasse, and the rush of water through the opening is

a second effort to send the tug Diana and a full acre a day. The American plow is a barge through the crevasse to assist in evidently not adapted to French custom. If rescuing people and live stock from the flooded area in Arkansas, but the idea was abandoned, as the fall is so great and the rush of the water so strong that it was feared the tug could not safely pass through. About one hundred yards west of the levee there is a belt of heavy timber and the current sweeps against the large trees with force sufficient to make them sway with violence. This condition made it most probable that the tug would be swept into the timber by the force of the current

and disabled. To-day's reports from the flooded Arkansas district are more favorable. The 'Frisco succeeded in running a relief train to Marion from the west, but persons there declined to leave their homes, as they take the view that they are in no danger for the

All passengers from the water-bound rains across the river were brought to the city to-day. No repairs have been made in the washed-out tracks and no forecast can be made as to when traffic may be resumed to the west. The Yazqo & Mississippi Valley Railroad has resumed through operation over its own line to New Orleans. To-night Mayor Williams sent the following telegram to Secretary of War Elihu Root: 'nefugees from overflowed districts flocking to Memphis. and need shelter badly. Can you furnish us with several hun-dred tents?"

YAZOO DELTA PERILED.

Break in Private Levee May Weaken

Government Embankment. VICKSBURG, Miss., March 19.-With all previous high-water marks already passed at several points between Vicksburg and Greenville and the crest of the wave not in sight, anxiety for the safety of the levees guarding the Yazoo delta grows greater. Several weak places have appeared on the embankments along the Isaquena, Bolivar and Washington county fronts, notably at Duvall's, Malone's and Moore's landings, and grave fears are entertained that the worst is yet to come. The long strain is beginning to tell on the flood fighters, a majority of the engineers and levee officers are on the point of collapse, having been on almost continuous duty for a week past. The levee at Eleon, near Lake Providence, on the Louisiana side, which was reported last night as being in great danger, is still intact, but the river is steadily creeping toward the crown and the situation is re-

ported as critical. Later.—The first sign of a break in the levees on the Mississippi side is reported from Duvalls, in Issaquena county, tonight. At that point the levee is a new one, and adjoining it on the south is a private embankment. Over this latter the water is running to-night at a rapidly increasing rate, and the forces at hand are said to be unable to check the flow. The government levee is also in imminent peril and grave fears for its safety are entertained. The Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad bridge, spanning the Yazoo river eight miles north of this city, is almost covered with water to-night and probably will be entirely so in another twenty-four hours. The river here rose .2 between 8 a. m. and 7 p. m., the gauge to-night registering

Refugees from Bayou Sara.

NATCHEZ, Miss., March 19.-Alderman A. F. Jacobs returned to-day from a trip to Ashland, where the private levee was overtopped last week, the water pouring in, washing away the levee and flooding the western end of Jefferson county. Nothing can be done with the levee there, and planters must wait until the river goes down. About four hundred head of stock were brought down from Ashland and stabled in Natchez.

The Betsy Ann came in from Bayou Sara with another full trip of refugees and stock. She cleared as quickly as possible to get another load. She was compelled to pass a of of stock standing in water below Fort Adams, but the river will have swept the stock away before she can reach that point The river is 4.35 feet above the danger line west corner of the city, has been cut off by the rising river and several streets in the place are filled with water. At 10 p. m. a heavy rainstorm is raging, and indications are that it will last all night.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 20.-The first Choctaw train from Memphis since o'clock Tuesday evening will reach Little

Roundabout Way for a Train.

Rock at 2 o'clock this (Friday) morning. The train left Memphis over the Illinois Central. The Mississippi river could not be crossed at Cairo and it went to St. Louis, then via the Cotton Belt to Brinkley. It has been on the road thirty hours. It carries 250 passengers. Close to the Record.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.-The river

gauge to-night is 19.5, one-tenth below the previous highest record. The weather continues fine, much work has been done and the line stands solid. The river is going much higher, but the levees in the city and most of the banks in the State are built and prepared for several feet more water. so that the engineers still see no cause for Far Above the Water.

PLAQUEMINE, La., March 19.-State En-

gineer Perrilot, who has just inspected the evees from Morgansea to this point, states that the levees are from five and a half to seven and a half feet above the present water. No weak places were found on the west bank of the river. The gauge here shows a rise of half a tenth during the past twenty-four hours.

Losses by Fire.

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., March 19 .- Fire arly to-day destroyed every place of business in this village, entailing a loss of \$50,-000. Ten stores and shops were burned. The town has no fire protection. ST. LOUIS, March 19.—Twenty-four horses, fourteen mules and one cow perished in a fire which destroyed a barn

owned by John Boenig. The dense smoke prevented any attempt being made to rescue the dumb brutes, and their agonizing

cries could be heard for blocks PEPPERELL, Mass., March 19.-A fire which started shortly after 1 o'clock this morning in the big shoe factory of M. C. Griffin at East Pepperell destroyed the factory and a score of other buildings, including stores and dwelling houses, entailing a loss estimated at \$300,000.

HOW THEY TILL THE SOIL

Primitive Methods in Vogue in Some Foreign Countries.

World's Work:

Perhaps the most interesting implement used by French plowmen is the bascule. This plow is sometimes eighteen feet long and of sufficient strength to cut a furrow thirty inches deep. It is used in plowing for vines and in cutting drains. It is used occasionally also by hop farmers, potato growers and gardeners. Near Paris are municipal gardens fertilized with the city sewage, and these gardens are periodically plowed with the bascule. One purpose of plowing is to let air into the soil, hence the deeper the ground is worked the more air it will contain. French farmers, therefore, sometimes attach a hook to their stirring plows which acts effectively as a subsoiler. In many European countries the soil becomes very hard. Fields newly plowed

have at times lumps a foot thick that can hardly be crushed with the heel. For this reason plows scour easily, but they are held to their course with difficulty. The clods are finally reduced by rains, and when sowing time comes the fields lie in loose ridges. These ridges are easily broken down with a cultivator and converted into a seed bed. The man who owns a small farm in France cannot afford to have it cut up with dead furrows or checkered with back furrows. To avoid this the French plow is made double. This plow is com-posite, being a right and a left or a reversi-ble tool, and the team goes back and forth on the same side of the unplowed ground. The field is finished with only one back furrow and a finish furrow at the hedge. French plow horses are stallions and are hitched tandem. It is not uncommon to see three men and three horses work one plow. One man drives, another manages the plow.

while a third follows with a spade to dig up The St. Francis Levee Board to-day made | the "cuts and covers." This crew may plow would soon reach prodigious invoices. The French peasant loves his home farm. He seldom migrates. The corners of his farm are not right angles. He does not work to a line like the American. He inherits a taste for the haphazard, the pic-turesque, and he delights in a free-hand way of doing things. He cultivates the eye. This makes him an artist. For centuries poets and painters have celebrated the grotesque beauty of rural France. Libraries

and galleries everywhere abound with these works. But not one of them attracts more attention than Rosa Bonheur's old-time plowing scene in Nivernais. In the valley of the Guadalquivir a traveler may still see a type of the primitive plow of Asia. In the old days it was made of a crotchet. Nowadays it is made of two crotchets; one is shod with a chisel of iron for the plow, the other is bound in rawhide for the handles. Bullocks are yoked to the implement. In many parts of Europe oxen are broken to draw from the horns, but these Spanish and Portuguese cattle generally draw from the neck, to which a yoke is fitted with bows. These yokes are sometimes twenty inches high and only two or three inches thick. The broad surfaces are not infrequently hand carved in designs. There may be vines and clusters of grapes and growing corn and the bearded heads of wheat. Sometimes these decorations are inspired by religious subjects. The comfort and capacity of the ox are sacrificed to

imagine, to sell many American plows in In Germany the plow is nearly always geared to a truck. It is heavy and awkward, but strong. Steers and cows are not infrequently used for power. The work is done slowly, but it is done well. In Switzerland it is not unusual to see a cast iron plow made reversible similar to the "sidehill" tool of West Virginia. There is little difference between the English and German plow except that the rod breaker is common in the former country. The Asiatic plow is still very primitive. German manufacturers have studied these conditions and are selling large shipments in Russia, Siberfa and Siam. They retail a plow in Odessa for \$5.

satisfy the artistic taste of the peasant.

And this makes it difficult, as one might

Prof. Patrick Geddis, of Edinburgh, once said that it is easy to tell the character of a people by the character of their plows. The Chinaman stirs the soil for his rice paddy with a stick and covers the seed with his foot. The American breaks up his ground with three horses and plants his cornfield with two horses. The stature of the Chinaman is four feet, that of the American is six feet. Except in a small Manchurian territory about Harbin, where small group of modern grist mills has been built, Chinese farmers can hardly be induced to try an American plow. It is said that English plow samples have lain in Mongolia untouched for twenty years. At home the manufacturer fashions his goods to suit the taste of his customers. The commercial traveler calls upon the trade who want his goods; the retailer stocks with what his customers want rather than with what they ought have. Foreign trade is conducted after the same plan.

A LITTLE TEACHER.

Child of the Slums Who Taught a Little Italian Girl.

New York Evening Post. The February Bulletin of the New York Do Teachers Read?" by Mary Denson Pretlow. It closes with the following an-

And last comes the littlest teacher of them all. By standing up very straight he could look across the top of my desk. and his eyes met mine unwaveringly as accused him of having kept Baldwin's "Fifty Famous Stories" from August till December. He explained that at the end of every two weeks he left it in for a few lays and I considered the matter settled. Five minutes later I looked up to find him still there. "Little boy, what do you want?

"Please, ma'am, that book?" This was too much. "You've had it three onths; why don't you take some other?"
"Because that's the only one she likes. I've tried another; she won't even look

"She, who is she?" "The one I teach." I thought he was getting mixed. "The book you learn from, little boy?" "No, ma'am, the girl I teach." "How old is she?

He eyed me critically. "Bout as big

I began to feel small. Then he told me all about it. She was the daughter of the Italian shoe mender, the one down the steps at the corner of "Tent' avnoo;" her father wasn't very kind to her; she knew no English and had no friends; he taught her in the evenings. I asked if he was not sleepy then. "Well, sometimes I go to sleep over the book, but she's learnin', and when she learns she'll like this better'n Italy." There came to my mind: "Teach these foreign children our language, our laws,

our liberty, and we will have good citi-But for the sake of good citizenship, would you, O Learned Educator, do what this little child of the slums is doing?

WOMEN UNDER BAN.

Are Not Wanted in Some Washington Departments.

Washington Letter in Kansas City Journal. If Commissioner Ware and his successors continue the policy of Henry Clay Evans the Pension Office will soon be an Eveless Eden. For six years not a woman has been selected from the civil-service list of eligibles for a position in the Pension Office. The head of the office has constantly made requisitions on the civil-service commissioner for certifications of men. Deaths, resignations and discharges have made places for many stenographers and copyists, but women have not been considered for the

vacancies. Three hundred and fifty women are now employed in the office. Twenty of these are charwomen. The number of male employes is 1,386. The civil-service commissioners are compelled by law to certify men to appointing officers in case they make such a request. Consequently, the comthat only men are desired. Not long ago the commissioners called the attention of the chiefs of bureaus to the fact that men whose grades were down in the seventies will likely be accuired in a few days.



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TREASURY STATEMENT Monthly statement for February, 1903, showing balance in the state treasury at the close of business Feb. 28, 1903, as ap-

pears in the office of auditor and treasurer of state: Balance in treasury March

Total\$740,034.63 February disbursements., 237,378.80 Balance on hand Feb. 28, 1903 Balance by Funds-General fund Benevolent institut'n fund State debt sinking fund ... School revenue for tuition 52,787.84

College fund principal..... 69,010,71 College fund interest..... Permanent endowm't fund 5,578.05 principal Permanent endowm't fund lege fund lands..... Sales permanent endowment fund lands..... Educational ins'tut'n fund Excess bid sinking fund.. 1,533.25 Unclaimed estates Sales state lands..... Swamp land funds...... 13,626,55

Common school fund.....

Escheated estates 1,189.26 State sinking fund...... 500.00 Surplus revenue fund..... Outstanding warrants, \$7,561.95.

NAT U. HILL, Treasurer of State.

were securing appointments as stenographers while the eligible lists of the commissioners bore the names of women who had secured marks of ninety or more in the stenographic examinations.

D. E. SHERRICK, Auditor of State.

The geological survey and the general land office share the pension office aversion to women. Only a few have secured appointments in these bureaus as stenographers. But this dislike of women does not extend to all branches of the department of the interior. The patent office prefers women typewriters and seldom employs men for work which is suited for women. Women persist in taking the civil service examinations, despite the fact that they are not successful in securing places. In 1902 twenty-seven women typewriters and stenographers were appointed, while 114 men secured similar positions. The grand total of women appointed through the civil service commission was large, but most of

the women were employed as printer's assistants, with salaries of \$1.25 a day. There has been a great outcry against Pension Commissioner Ware on account of a reform measure which he has introduced. The correspondents have been receiving each day from time immemorial typewritten copies of all pensions issued in all parts of the country by States. The commissioner recently found that this accommodation cost the government money. Just how much is not known, but it kept a typewriter busy a part of the day to make duplicates for the newspaper men. He promptly ordered a stop put to so much extravagance, and ever since a copy is only made of a pension and that is hung up where the correspondents can copy it Not only is the list a very long and complicated one, but sometimes as many as twenty correspondents at once are trying to make copies and much of their valuable time is wasted waiting for their turn. One prominent Southwestern paper among a number has filed an official protest with Secretary Hitchcock against the commissioner's rule. The commissioner says reforms may be unpopular, but Uncle Sam's interests are more important than private

Another Big Hotel.

New York Letter. A company of wealthy New Yorkers will build a \$3,000,000 twenty-story hotel in Central Park West, between Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets, the greater part of the other bureau may bar women regardless property having already been purchased of what their standing in examinations from the Jai Alia Bail Company, of Havproperty having already been purchased may have been. Frequently women who ana, Cuba. According to present plans the have higher grades than men cannot be erection of the great structure will be certified to a chief on account of the notice | started within a few months. It is said that the company intends to build a hotel as